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8	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT			
9	FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA			
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1	SEAN DELEON,	No	o. 2:24-cv-2778 JA	M SCR
2	Plaintiff,			
3	v.	<u>Al</u>	MENDED ORDER	
4	UNITED STATES OF AMERIC	CA, et al.,		
5	Defendants.			
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Magistrate Judge Allison Claire will hold a settlement conference in this case on February 19, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. The settlement conference will be held via Zoom unless the parties request that the conference be conducted in person; login details will be provided prior to the date of the conference. The court expects that the parties will proceed with the settlement conference in good faith and attempt to resolve all or part of the case. If any party believes that the settlement conference will not be productive, that party shall so inform the court as far in advance of the settlement conference as possible. Unless otherwise specifically authorized by the court in advance of the settlement conference, the following individuals must participate in the settlement conference: (1) all of the attorney(s) who will try the case; (2) the parties; and (3) individuals with full authority to negotiate and settle the case, on any terms.

No later than February 13, 2026, each party must submit to Judge Claire's chambers at acorders@caed.uscourts.gov a confidential settlement conference statement. These statements

1	should not be filed on the docket; however, each party shall e-file a one-page document entitled		
2	Notice of Submission of Confidential Settlement Conference Statement. The statements should		
3	be marked "CONFIDENTIAL" and should state the date and time of the conference.		
4	While brevity is appreciated, each statement must include:		
5	(1) a brief recitation of the facts;		
6	(2) a discussion of the strengths and weaknesses of the case, from your party's		
7	perspective;		
8	(3) an itemized estimate of your party's expected costs for further discovery, pretrial, and		
9	trial matters, in specific dollar terms;		
10	(4) your best estimate of the probability that plaintiff will obtain a finding of liability		
11	should this case proceed to trial, in percentage terms;		
12	(5) should this case proceed to trial and defendant be found liable, please provide the		
13	following, in specific dollar terms:		
14	(a) a realistic high-end recovery estimate (i.e., realistic best- or worst-case		
15	scenario)		
16	(b) a realistic low-end recovery estimate (i.e., realistic worst- or best-case		
17	scenario), and		
18	(c) a best estimate of the most likely outcome;		
19	(6) a history of settlement discussions, including:		
20	(a) a statement of your expectations for settlement discussions;		
21	(b) a listing of any past and present settlement offers from any party (including all		
22	terms);		
23	(c) whether your party would consider making the opening offer or demand, and		
24	what that offer might be;		
25	(7) a list of the individuals who will be participating in the settlement conference on your		
26	party's behalf, including each participant's name and, if appropriate, title;		
27	(8) identification of any related cases or of any other cases that the parties might wish to		
28	discuss at this sattlement conference; and		

1 (9) a completed worksheet (blank version attached) highlighting your responses to certain 2 of the above questions. 3 Judge Claire will hold a short, pre-settlement conference via Zoom on February 17, 2026, 4 at 10:00 a.m. Only the lead attorney from each side should participate. At Judge Claire's 5 discretion, the joint discussion may be followed by private discussions between the judge and 6 each party. Zoom login information will be provided in advance of February 17, 2026. 7 In accordance with the above, it is hereby ORDERED that: 8 1. A pre-settlement conference is set before Magistrate Judge Claire on February 17, 9 2026 at 10:00 a.m. 10 2. A settlement conference is set before Magistrate Judge Claire on February 19, 2026, 11 9:00 a.m. 12 3. No later than February 13, 2026, each party must submit a confidential settlement 13 conference statement, as described above, to Magistrate Judge Claire. 14 DATED: October 21, 2025 15 16 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

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¹ The court expects that the attorneys participating in the pre-settlement conference discussion will also participate in the settlement conference.

Pre-Settlement Worksheet

	Please fill in each value below
Additional cost to your party expected for discovery	\$
pretrial	\$
trial	\$
Estimated probability of liability finding	%
Realistic high-end estimate of recovery by P	\$
Realistic low-end estimate of recovery by P	\$
Best estimate of recovery by P	\$
Last offer/demand (if any) previously made by your party	\$
Last offer/demand (if any) previously made by opposing party	\$
Proposed next offer/demand by your party	\$
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